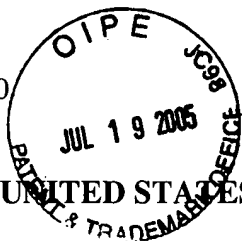


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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated April 21, 2005 to which a response is due by July 21, 2005. Attached is a (2) two-month Petition for Extension of Time, including a fee of \$450.00 in order to make this response timely. Please reconsider the claims in the above-identified patent application as follows.